



Newsletter 27

Friday 16th July 2021



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Goodbye and Happy Retirement to our Super Star Cook, Mrs Cook!



We're very sad to be saying good-bye to our wonderful school cook, Mrs Cook. She has served our school community, producing delicious lunches for children and families for over 27 years! What an incredible length of fantastic service to our school community! We all feel very proud to have worked with Mrs Cook, and are going to miss her yummy food; her cheerful enthusiasm; her kindness; her sense of fun; and her friendship! It's really hard to imagine Lighthorne Heath Primary School without Mrs Cook here, but we wish her every happiness in her well-deserved retirement.

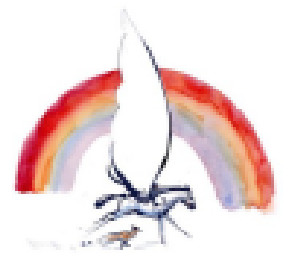


Letter to Year 6 Leavers

Friday 16th July, 2021.

Dear wonderful year 6,

It has been a privilege to get to know you whilst you have been at Lighthorne Heath Primary School. Each of you have many special aptitudes, of which you should feel incredibly proud. Each of you have beautiful singing voices and have enjoyed playing musical instruments. You are talented artists, creating beautiful visual art across a range of genres. You are enthusiastic athletes and have enjoyed competing in various sports. You are curious scientists and mathematicians, keen to investigate and carry out research.

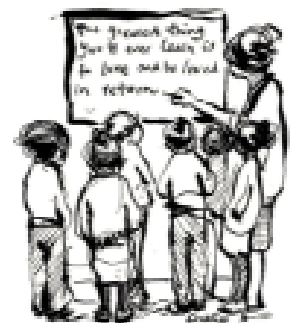


You have been wonderful friends to one another. You have cared for, and supported each other. You have cheered each other up with your laughter and sense of fun. You have been trustworthy, kind and thoughtful to your classmates. You have been fantastic ambassadors for Lighthorne Heath as a Unicef Gold Rights Respecting School, working with each other and the duty bearers to create a safe and inspiring place to learn, where your rights are respected; your talents are nurtured; and you have been able to thrive. You have shown yourselves to be excellent leaders, taking on roles of responsibility around the school, and being helpful. You have influenced our curriculum through your voice, and made our school a place of which you can be proud.



The last two academic years have been very different for everyone, and I feel very proud of how resilient you have been; of all of your achievements in such challenging circumstances; and of the amazing young people you have shown yourselves to be. Your friends and teachers have been there for you, no matter what – we are a family. Our whole school community has wrapped their arms around you during your time at Lighthorne Heath Primary school, and will continue to be here to hold you up, whenever you need us.

Your teachers have worked hard to make learning at Lighthorne Heath fun and enjoyable, and you've had fabulous experiences. You've all loved the adventure of your primary education and the special spirit at Lighthorne Heath. I hope that you have been reflecting on your time here, and storing up your special memories to share with your families and friends in the future. I hope that you have felt proud to wear your Lighthorne Heath Year 6 Leavers' hooded tops – you've all looked wonderful in them over these past few days.



Although I know that many of you will be feeling sad to be soon saying goodbye to Lighthorne Heath Primary School, this is also an exciting time to look forward to the next phase of your learning at your secondary schools. You will be offered lots of new experiences, and I hope that you will reach out and take every one of them so that you may continue to discover your unique talents. I wish you every happiness and success in your new adventures ... dare to dream, and reach for the stars!

I hope that you enjoy your last few days with us.

With love from

Juliette Westwood

Mrs Westwood
Executive head teacher



Year 6 Leavers

Looking at Learning



Diary Dates

Friday 16th July	Children spend the day in their new classes
Wednesday 21st July	Toy Day & MUFTI Day
Wednesday 21st July	Last day of Summer Term
Thursday 22nd July-Wednesday 1st September	Summer Holidays
Thursday 2nd September	INSET Day—school closed for staff training
Friday 3rd September	NSET Day—school closed for staff training
Monday 6th September	Autumn Term begins—children come to school

Dear Families,

We are nearing the end of a long term in one of the most challenging years that we can remember.

Due to our ongoing relationship with Greggs and with the support of our Local Morrison's in Leamington Spa, we have a treat to help our families to relax and have some fun in the sunshine this summer.

We have put together a summer hamper for each family; the theme is pic-nics and garden parties. The hamper contains a number of goodies to help you to enjoy a family party, picnic in the park or a garden party.

There is a hamper for each of our families. Due to the importance of continuing to adhere to social distancing advice, please wait until you have received a text before you collect your hamper.

Thank you to all of our families for your ongoing support and for our wonderful children for all of their hard work. We hope that you all have a fabulous summer break and we look forward to seeing you all in September.

With best wishes,

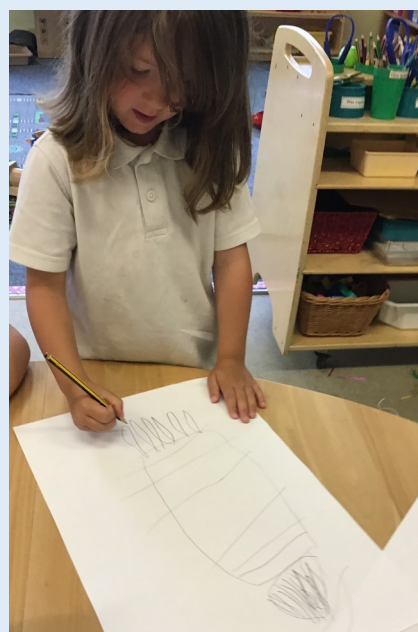
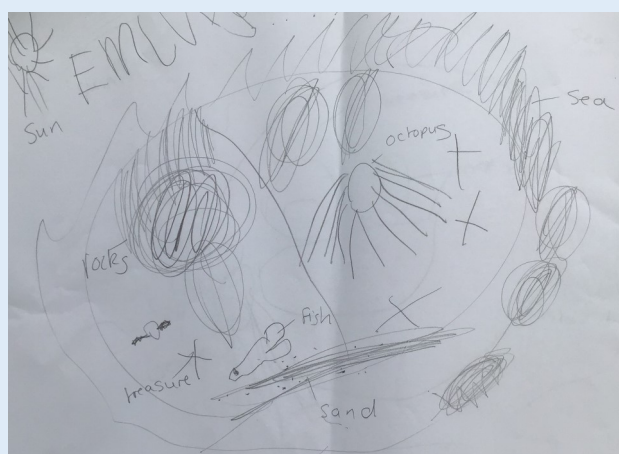
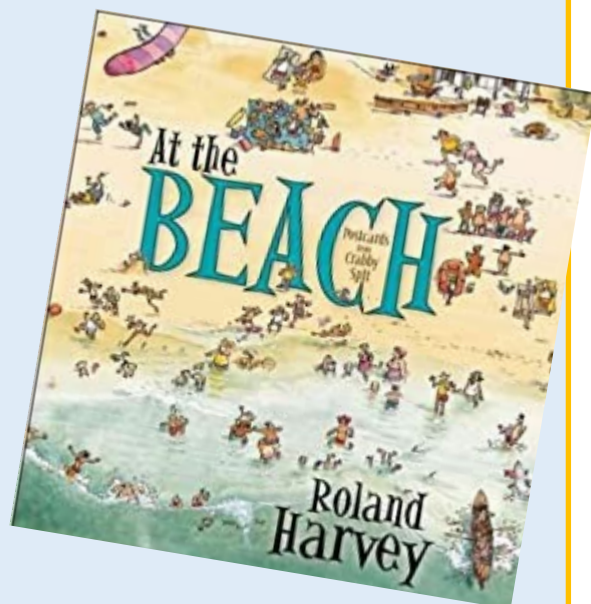
Mrs Manley, Mrs Westwood and all the staff at Lighthorne Heath.



Nursery and Reception

Who lives in a rockpool?

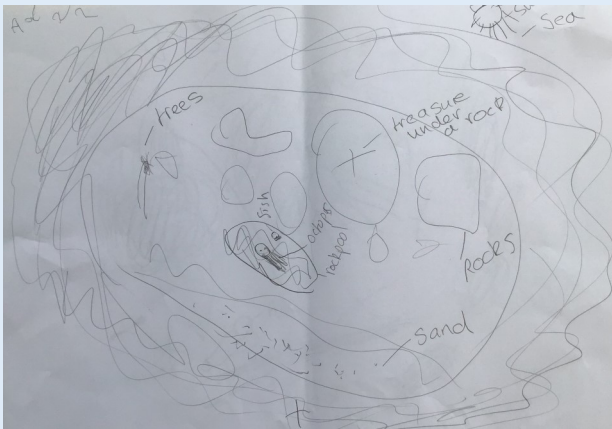
Continuing our theme of 'Who lives in a rockpool?', we have been exploring the text 'At the Beach' by Roland Harvey. The book starts with a map of the coast which led to some great discussion about the different features and purposes of maps. The children then had a go at making their own treasure maps. We have also been finding out about lighthouses, looking at the history of them and how they vary across the world. Following this, the children painted their own lighthouses.



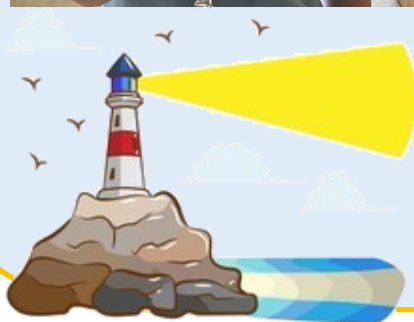
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Year 1/2/3

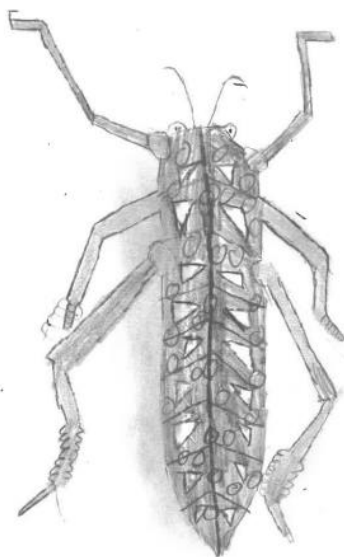
Competitive Sport and Reading!

This week we have enjoyed competing in our sports teams to practise reading our common exception words (words that are read by sight rather than applying our phonics skills.) We played 'Beanbag Bingo Relay' which helped us to develop our listening skills and team work, as we competed to fill our bingo board by telling the next person which word to place the beanbag onto. In our final game we played 'Sailors and Pirates.' The 'Sailors' rescued the words floating on the sea and placed them onto the correct island and the 'pirates' stole the words from the islands and placed them back into the sea. The winning team were the ones with the most cards. We had lots of fun and it helped us to recall our sight words too!

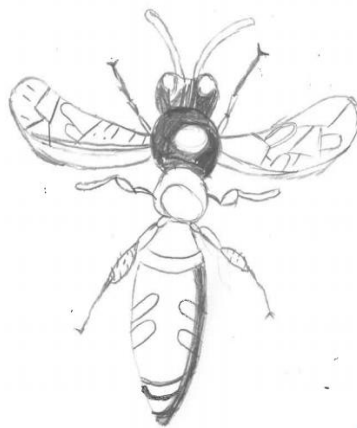


Year 4/5/6 Beast Creator

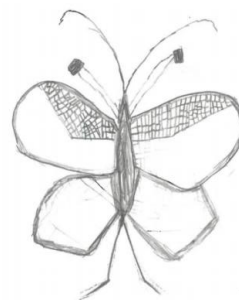
This week the children completed their writing of a first-person story from the perspective of their super-beast. They write exciting tales about their creatures defeating the aphids. They also learned about Charles Darwin and how he drew some of the creatures he spotted during his adventures on HMS Beagle. They sketched pictures of insects based on his historic drawings.



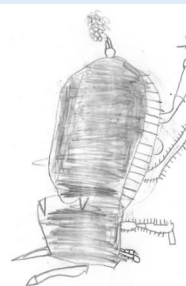
Lucien



Isla



Esme



Alfie

Tuesday 13th July 2021

LO: To use simile & metaphor



It appears that the mammoth is stuck in ice. It's tusks are a sharp scythe blade, trying to grow itself to freedom. The man below is presented trying to save it with some sort of melting device. The ice is as

(mp) blue as the deep oceanic tides. As I took the photograph, I could sense it... something felt off. As if he was trying to save a dead animal. The puddles dripped, and expanded as the ice grew smaller.

Lighthorne Heath Learning Heroes

Nursery and Reception

Ella-Mae is our Reception and Nursery class hero this week.

Ella-Mae really enjoyed finding out about lighthouses and took her time drawing and then painting her lighthouse.

Whilst painting, she experimented with creating different colours and wanted to do more painting when she had finished. Ella really enjoys making things and is often busy in the classroom making cards or pictures. Well done, Ella-Mae!



Co-operate



Persevere

Year 1/2/3

Mrs Munday's and Mrs Hill's Hero for this week is Lola, for displaying increased confidence and maturity towards her learning. Lola has also been really helpful in class and has taken on the job of collecting the dinner choices in the mornings. It has been lovely to see her smiling and happy and enjoying her learning. Well done Lola!



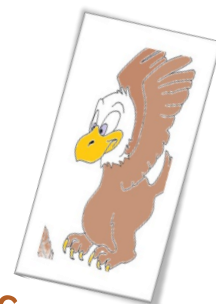
Keep on improving

Year 4/5/6

Mrs Cox's nomination for this week's Learning Hero is Lilly. She has completed some amazing descriptive work in her English lessons, pushing herself to improve on her well-honed writing skills. She has shown great imagination and hard work, enabling her to continue to get better and better. Well done, Lilly!



Have a go



Concentrate



Use your imagination



Enjoy learning



MHST tips for wellness

Resilience

This week's theme is Resilience.

Resilience is our ability to remain mentally healthy and keep going in the face of stress. One of the strongest ways to build our resilience is through a social support team. This can come from family, friends, neighbours and even pets.

Try one, or both, of the below activities throughout this week.

- 1) Superhero Support Team: think of the people/animals that you are close to and design your own superhero support team poster. Remember to include the superpowers these people/animals have and how it is they help you.
- 2) Positive Memory Journaling: recalling positive memories improves resilience which helps us to cope with stressful situations. Try creating a positive memory journal. All you need to do is write down positive memories you can recall, or things that have made you laugh or smile. You could include photos or pictures. You can refer back to your journal at any time. Don't worry if you can't make a full journal-you can write these memories on you phone or on post-its if it is easier.

The Mental Health in Schools Team provides support to students and schools. We are available during term time and school holidays. Please contact your school's Mental Health Lead, or your Education Mental Health Practitioner for information and advice.

Useful dates for July:

Talk To Us Month (Samaritans)



UN Convention on the Rights of the Child

Article 24: Health and Health Services



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Warwickshire*

6th July 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme

The Department for Education (DfE) has made funds available to every Local Authority in England to coordinate free holiday provision, including healthy food and enriching activities. The programme will cover the Easter, summer, and Christmas holidays in 2021. The funding is for children who receive benefits-related free school meals (Reception to Year 11).

Our local approach – booking and accessing the programme activities

As your child is eligible to take part in this programme, we would like to make you aware of it so that you can take advantage of the activities available.

Warwickshire holiday activities are advertised on WCC (Warwickshire County Council) Children and Families webpages <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/HAF>. HAF activities will be identifiable by a **HAF logo**.

Action for parents

- Parents and Carers will receive a text and email from WCC (Warwickshire County Council) containing their eligibility code. Available activities can be found here <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/HAF>
- Activities identified by the **HAF logo** can be booked using the code below.
- Contact your chosen holiday activity provider directly to make a booking.
- Use the code sent to you as payment for the activity.

Please note that you are entitled to 16 activities per child. If you book any more than 16 you may be charged for the additional bookings.

If you would like your child to attend a HAF activity, and you are not able to find a suitable activity please contact the Family Information Service 01926 742274 who may be able to support you to find something suitable.

Please note: In addition to the HAF (Holiday Activities and Food) programme, Warwickshire County Council will separately be providing the Covid local support grant to eligible families for the summer holidays.

Further Information

For any queries regarding the HAF programme please email hafprogramme@warwickshire.gov.uk.

Kind regards

Jan Budd

